

CAPTAIN BRADLEY D. MARTIN COMMANDER, AMPHIBIOUS SQUADRON SEVEN UNITED STATES NAVY

CAPT Bradley Martin was commissioned through Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island in November 1982. His first assignment was as a Deck Department Officer aboard USS MIDWAY (CV41), homeported in Yokosuka, Japan. He followed this with assignment as Navigator in USS REEVES (CG24), also homeported in Yokosuka.

After completing Surface Department Head School, CAPT Martin reported as Executive Officer to the USS INFLICT (MSO 456) Gold Crew in Little Creek, Virginia, with rotation to the Arabian Gulf. The crew conducted mine countermeasures in support of Earnest Will convoy operations. Following this assignment, CAPT Martin became Chief Engineer in USS LAMOURE COUNTY (LST 1194). Besides deploying for Operation DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM, the ship also received the Arleigh Burke Fleet Trophy for most improved operational performance during a cycle.

CAPT Martin then reported as Material and Logistics Officer to the Staff of Commander, Middle East Force in Manama, Bahrain. After 18 months in this billet, he reported to Commander, U.S. Forces Japan at Yokota Air Base, Japan, where he carried out duties as a Plans Officer and Command Center Officer in Charge.

CAPT Martin's next assignment was as commissioning Commanding Officer of USS KINGFISHER (MHC 56), constructed in New Orleans, Louisiana and homeported in Ingleside, Texas. The ship completed post-delivery test and trials ahead of schedule and received departmental excellence awards in every category. He then reported to the Chief of Naval Operations Staff as an analyst for mine warfare, anti-submarine warfare and surface warfare.

Returning to forward-deployed operational billets, CAPT Martin was next assigned as Staff Operations and Plans Officer for Commander, Carrier Group FIVE. He then reported as Commanding Officer of USS GERMANTOWN (LSD 42), carrying out in his tour a hull swap with USS HARPER'S FERRY (LSD 49). The GERMANTOWN/HARPER'S FERRY crew won the Battle Efficiency ribbon, departmental awards in every category, the TYCOM Safety Award and was the first FDNF crew to achieve 3-M certification. The ship deployed for numerous exercise and real world contingencies, including humanitarian assistance operations to East Timor and naval construction operations in Basilan Island, Republic of the Philippines. After completing this tour, CAPT Martin reported to Commander, Amphibious Squadron ELEVEN as Chief Staff Officer.

CAPT Martin assumed duties as Commander, Amphibious Squadron SEVEN in September 2005.

CAPT Martin's decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (six awards), Navy Commendation Medal (four awards), campaign and service decorations, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (multiple awards). He holds a doctorate in political science from the University of Michigan.